

2007 NRCC Field Trip Agenda

*Wednesday, September 5 to Friday,
September 7*

DAY 1, Wednesday, September 5

6:00 a.m. Bus arrives Natural Resources Complex

6:30 a.m. Depart Natural Resources Complex (1594 W. North Temple, Salt Lake City)

Utah's Own presentation en route - USDA Agriculture (AG), Commissioner Blackham

Utah State University, College of Natural Resources & Extension Program briefing en route

8:30 a.m. Arrive in Price

Visit new Department of Natural Resources Regional Center

Meet with Carbon County Commission and local Legislators

9:30 a.m. Depart Price

Emery County Commission board bus

Range Creek - UDNR Division of Wildlife Resources (DWR) (en route Price to Huntington turnoff)

Huntington Mine briefing en route, UDNR Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (OGM)

General coal issues en route, OGM and UDNR Utah Geological Survey (UGS)

San Rafael swell, OHV and Bureau Land Management (BLM) issues en route

UDNR Utah Geological Survey (UGS) - I-70 - SR24 - San Rafael Swell geology

1:00 p.m. Arrive in Bicknell - Wayne County Community Center, 475 S 300 East

Lunch provided by Six County AOG and Wayne County Commission

Legislative update

Geology issues - UGS, Grant Willis and Park Ranger

Bullfrog Powerline - UDNR Division of Water Resources, Eric Millis

Lake Powell mini-presentation - NPS, Kitty Roberts (10 minutes)

Ticaboo Uranium Mine - Company representative / School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, Kevin Carter

1:45 p.m. Power Line, Uranium, Bison, Aqua Culture, Water and Oil & Gas issue presentations - Six County AOG

Quagga Mussel - DWR / NPS

3:30 p.m. Depart Bicknell to Torrey (Check-in Lodging - Best Western Capitol Reef)

4:15 p.m. Depart hotel for Caineville

5:00 p.m. Arrive at potential reservoir site / local issues

Discuss flood - Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) / USGS, Pat Lambert

5:30 p.m. Bus Departs Caineville for Torrey

Capitol Reef DVD - NPS, Dennis Davis

Brief stop Panorama Point, SR24 - Capitol Reef geology - UGS

6:00 p.m. Dinner - Capitol Reef National Park (fruit orchard) sponsored by The Nature Conservancy/TNC presentation

DAY 2, Thursday, September 6

7:30 a.m. Breakfast on Bus

Depart Torrey - Highway 12 (Overlook stops)
Garfield County Commission to join for the day
Boulder Mountain forest issues - USDA Forest Service (USFS)
Wildland Fire Use - USFS, MacWhortor
Homestead Pullout Overlook (M.P. 98) - Over the Boulder Mountain, unique geography - UGS & US Geological Survey

10:30 a.m. Rest stop / briefing of Anasazi State Park - Park Manager and local officials
State park capital and infrastructure issues - UDNR State Parks and Recreation, Mark Forbes
Grand Staircase Monument Manager boards bus
Local area history

11:30 p.m. Depart Anasazi State Park

12:00 p.m. Calf Creek Overlook
Grand Staircase Monument presentation en route - BLM
Scenic Byway program - UDOT, Shane Marshall
Brief geology discussion - UGS

1:00 p.m. -Escalante State Park Lunch (Park Manager, Park overview)

2:30 p.m. Leave Escalante State Park
Garfield County Commission / Wide Hollow Reservoir / Escalante Skyline Products Mill

3:30 p.m. Grand Staircase Visitor Center (Cannonville rest stop)
Alton Coal field - bus briefing en route (County Commission/Senator Stowell)
Kodachrome Basin State Park

4:30 p.m. Depart Cannonville

5:00 p.m. Check in - Ruby's Inn / Bryce Canyon Interpretive Association
Conference Room - Prairie dog presentation - NRCS

5:30 p.m. Board bus for visitor center visit and dinner at historic lodge

7:00 p.m. Legislators' flight home
Rest of group continues tour of Bryce Canyon

Day 3, Friday, September 7 (Travel Home/Snacks along the way)

6:00 a.m. Optional Sunrise visit at canyon overlook / Geology, Inspiration Point - UGS

7:30 a.m. Depart
Stop at Red Canyon - USFS / Geology - UGS

11:00 Arrive at Cove Fort
Milford Flat fire site - UDNR Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands,
Dick Buehler
Old Cove Fort - watershed / reseeding
Watershed and grazing initiative - DNR / Utah Department of Agriculture and
Food

3:00 p.m. Arrive Utah Department of Natural Resources Complex